# *BA (Hons) Stage Management Birmingham School of Acting*

## **Additional costs for this course**

We have provided you with a breakdown of the essential costs and the optional costs which are dependent on your budget.

Please note that your marks are not a reflection of how much you spend, so a student who spends less than the estimated costs won’t be marked down, compared to a student who spends more.

### **Equipment and consumables**

You’ll be required to purchase the necessary clothing and safety equipment which will last you the duration of the course. You’ll need to spend on average £100 for a water proof coat and clothing for your assessments although some students spend more or less than this amount depending on where you buy the items from.

You’ll also need to buy steel toe cap boots as part of the safety equipment required; on average you’ll tend to spend about £50.

A budget of about £80 should be set aside for model making and stationery needed, although this is dependent on individual specifications.

### **Books**

Most books needed whilst studying the course are available in the university library or our [digital library](http://diglib4.bcu.ac.uk/webgate/dlib/templates/UCEEL/index.asp), although you may wish to budget about £50 for purchases if you want to buy your own copies. A list of all reading material will be provided.

## **Laptops and Software**

It is not essential for you to purchase your own laptop (PC or Mac), as you can also borrow a laptop from the university or use one of our shared computer rooms. Laptops may be borrowed for free for up to six hours and may be found at the following locations: Curzon building, Millennium Point, Parkside building, the School of Jewellery and Margaret Street (Birmingham School of Art). Most students do prefer to have their own laptops, and we suggest you allow about £300 to £1,200 for this, dependent on your preferences and budget. Apple also offer a discount on laptops for UK students: [go to Apple for Education for more details](http://www.apple.com/uk_edu_5000618/shop).

You’ll also be provided with a free account for [Lynda.com](http://www.lynda.com/) worth £227.40.

Microsoft Office 365 and 1TB of OneDrive cloud storage space is provided free to all students.

### **Printing**

Our on-campus print shop can produce high-quality prints and assignments, although we aim to minimise printing costs by allowing you to submit assignments online. On average, you should budget up to £50 for printing.

**Field trips**

There are a number of UK theatre trips organised on the course. We publicise dates as far in advance as possible in order for you to take advantage of early booking and travel deals. The average overall spend on these travel costs about £150 in total over the duration of the course.

You are encouraged to attend a placement during the course which you will be required to budget for. We suggest a budget of £150 to cover travel - this cost may be more or less depending on where you choose to undertake your placement.